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1ST SESSION

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 31, 2007

Mr. ISAKSON introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Medicare Safe Needle
5 Disposal Coverage Act of 2007”.

1 **SEC. 2. COVERAGE OF HOME NEEDLE REMOVAL, DECON-**
 2 **TAMINATION, AND DISPOSAL DEVICES AND**
 3 **DISPOSAL OF NEEDLES AND SYRINGES**
 4 **THROUGH A SHARPS-BY-MAIL OR SIMILAR**
 5 **PROGRAM UNDER MEDICARE PART D.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1860D–2(e)(1)(B) of the
 7 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w–102(e)(1)(B)) is
 8 amended by inserting after “regulations of the Secretary”
 9 the following: “and including devices approved for home
 10 use by the Food and Drug Administration for the safe
 11 and effective removal, decontamination, and disposal of
 12 needles and the disposal of needles and syringes through
 13 a sharps-by-mail or similar program as medically appro-
 14 priate based on volume of usage”.

15 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
 16 subsection (a) shall take effect on January 1, 2008.

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